

Marrable, Lanita

From: Harris, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2018 9:13 AM
To: Marrable, Lanita
Subject: FW: Greetings from Chicago--contacted by news media re: an explosion in western suburbs of Chicago relating to a LUST?

From: Singer, Joshua
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 3:13 PM
To: Kamke, Sherry <Kamke.Sherry@epa.gov>
Cc: Harris, Michael <harris.michael@epa.gov>; Victorine, Gary <victorine.gary@epa.gov>; Cisneros, Arturo <cisneros.arturo@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Greetings from Chicago--contacted by news media re: an explosion in western suburbs of Chicago relating to a LUST?

Thanks, Sherry.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 23, 2017, at 2:42 PM, Kamke, Sherry <Kamke.Sherry@epa.gov> wrote:

Joshua,

No one has directly asked us about a LUST incident in the western suburbs but I thought you should know that inquiries are going to our headquarters office.

Sherry

From: Anderson, Will
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 2:33 PM
To: Kamke, Sherry <Kamke.Sherry@epa.gov>; Cisneros, Arturo <cisneros.arturo@epa.gov>
Cc: Walker, Tom <Walker.Tom@epa.gov>; Ellenberger, Karen <Ellenberger.Karen@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Greetings from Chicago--contacted by news media re: an explosion in western suburbs of Chicago relating to a LUST?

Sherry & Arturo,

Hi. Just wanted to make you aware of the contact below and the underlying incident the reporter is asking about.

When OUST receives inquiries from the media, we route them through the press office and wait to hear back from them.

Will

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From: Walker, Tom
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 2:43 PM
To: Ellenberger, Karen <Ellenberger.Karen@epa.gov>
Cc: Anderson, Will <Anderson.Will@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Greetings from Chicago

Hi Karen. How do I even begin to respond to this?

Do we tell the news station we don't have a national database with that kind of specific information and refer them to R5? Do we refer to the larger EPA communication office? Your guidance in this matter is greatly appreciated. - Tom

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To: Walker, Tom <Walker.Tom@epa.gov>
Cc: Ellenberger, Karen <Ellenberger.Karen@epa.gov>
Subject: Greetings from Chicago

Mr. Walker-

I'm looking for some information for a follow up report on the explosions/fires in the western Chicago suburbs last week caused by a leaking gasoline station underground tank. From Illinois EPA records it appears that the Speedway gas station #7445 at 6241 S. Cass Avenue in Westmont, Illinois was in state remediation for previous leak violations.

We are hoping for current federal data on the number of Illinois leaks and whether there is a breakdown by locations, companies, current status, etc.

Many thanks,

Chuck Goudie

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